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News Release

WOBURN MAN INDICTED FOR RECEIPT AND POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

BOSTON—A Woburn man was arrested yesterday on an indictment charging him with receipt and possession of child pornography.

United States Attorney Michael J. Sullivan and Matthew J. Etre, acting special agent-in-charge of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), announced that Vincent Rinaldi, 46, of Woburn, Massachusetts, was charged in a six-count indictment for receipt and possession of visual depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Specifically, the indictment charges Rinaldi with five counts of receiving images between March, and May of 2003, and one count of possessing images between May 2003 and Feb. 2004.

If convicted, Rinaldi faces a mandatory minimum sentence of 5 years up to a maximum of 20 years in prison on each of the five receipt of child pornography charges, and a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison on the possession of child pornography charge.

The case was investigated by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) under the auspices of its Operation Predator – a nationwide initiative to identify, investigate and arrest child predators. Assistance was also provided by the Woburn and Medford Police Departments. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Dana Gershengorn in Sullivan's Major Crimes Unit.

The details contained in the indictment are allegations. The defendant is presumed to be innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of four integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities.

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